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Dear Ms. Hesse:

I believe the Attorney General of the United States and, under his direction, the United States Department of Justice, acted correctly in negotiating a tough settlement with Microsoft.

I am informed that the settlement will impose new requirements on Microsoft, and that violations of the settlement would subject the company to punishment as contempt of court. Settlement pursuant to the agreed terms will be good for the economy, good for consumers and will encourage market competition in the software and related industries. I hope the settlement will be approved and implemented as soon as possible.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely,

*Harry F. Cato*  
HARRY F. CATO  
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